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Applicant: Lowrey, et al Application Number: 09/620,3/18 Filing Date: July 22, 2000

Art Unit/Examiner: 2814/Cao, Phat

Title: ELECTRICALLY PROGRAMMABLE MEMORY ELEMENT HAVING

SIDEWALL CONTACT AND METHOD FOR MAKING SAME

REQUEST FOR A FOUR-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for a period of FOUR MONTHS to respond to the Office Action dated July 15, 2002. This request is made under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). The period for response has expired on August 15, 2002 and is accordingly requested to be extended to Monday, December 16, 2002.

Authorization is hereby given to charge the fees set forth in 37 CFR 1.17 in connection with this petition to Deposit Account No. 05-1068.

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